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FROM AMBASSADOR HARTMAN

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, FR, US
SUBJ: FRENCH INTEREST IN CONSULTATIONS ON STRATEGIC
AND ARMS CONTROL ISSUES

REF: STATE 199326

1. AT DINNER SEPTEMBER 2, LABOULAYE CONFIRMED OUR IMPRESSION THAT BARRE AND DE GUIRINGAUD WILL SEEK OPPORTUNITIES TO REVIEW FRENCH THINKING ON THE MAJOR ARMS CONTROL AND STRATEGIC ISSUES DURING THEIR WASHINGTON VISIT. THEY PARTICULARLY HOPED FOR A SUITABLE OPENING DURING THE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT FOR A SHORT GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THESE THEMES.
2. LABOULAYE REITERATED THAT THE FRENCH PRESENTATION IN WASHINGTON WILL CONTAIN NO SURPRISES AND THAT THEY WILL NOT BE PREPARED TO ELABORATE ON THEIR NEW DISARMAMENT PROJECT WHICH GISCARD RECENTLY ANNOUNCED. MOREOVER, SINCE NEITHER BARRE NOR GUIRINGAUD ARE PERSONALLY EXPERTS IN THE STRATEGIC AND DISARMAMENT FIELDS, THE EXCHANGE IN WASHINGTON WILL BE LIMITED TO A GENERAL EXPOSITION OF FRENCH VIEWS AND CONCERNS. LABOULAYE

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STRESSED AGAIN IN THIS CONNECTION THEIR DEEP WORRY OVER MBFR AND PARTICULARLY THE MOST RECENT FRG PROPOSALS.

3. TO PROVIDE THE DESIRABLE TECHNICAL DEPTH LABOULAYE IS CURRENTLY SUGGESTING WITHIN GOF THAT THERE BE PROMPT FURTHER CONSULTATIONS AT THE SENIOR LEVEL AFTER THE BARRE VISIT. HE DOES NOT HAVE PRECISE IDEAS AT THIS

POINT BUT WONDERS IF THE UN OPENING SESSION WOULD NOT
PRESENT A USEFUL OCCASION FOR AN INITIAL EXCHANGE ON
THESE ISSUES AND ON POSSIBLE FURTHER CONSULTATIONS, WITH
SUCH SENIOR U.S. OFFICIALS AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY VEST,
PM DIRECTOR GELB, AND ACDA DIRECTOR WARNKE.
HARTMAN

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